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**NONPROVISIONAL PATENT  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title): ADJUSTABLE FLANGE DEVICE FOR COVER MEMBER IN DRIVE AXLE ASSEMBLY

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- ☒ 24 pages of Specification/Claims 1-17/Abstract are attached.  
☒ Drawings (Figs. 1-15; 12 sheets) are attached.  
☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.  
☐ An assignment of the invention is attached, along with Form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00.  
☒ An Information Disclosure Statement is attached, along with Form PTO-1449.  
☒ Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i) for Non-Publication of Application.  
☐ This application is entitled to Small Entity Status.  
☐ A Preliminary Amendment is attached.  
☐ Priority of foreign application No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.  
☐ A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is attached.

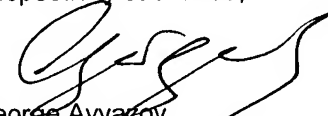
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- ☒ A check in the amount of \$770.00 is attached. Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0548.

Respectfully submitted,

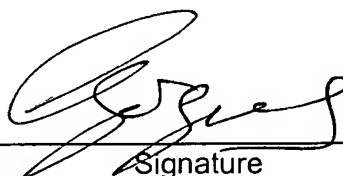
  
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<b>REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)</b>	Filing Date	Concurrently herewith
	First Named Inventor	ALLMANDINGER et al.
	Title	ADJUSTABLE FLANGE DEVICE FOR COVER MEMBER IN DRIVE AXLE ASSEMBLY
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I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

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